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SUBJECT: MBFR NUCLEAR ASPECTS - GERMAN PRESENTATION
QUESTION CATALOG

BEGIN SUMMARY. FONOFF MBFR DEPT HAS PROVIDED US WITH
TEXT OF QUESTION CATALOG ON MBFR NUCLEAR ASPECTS WHICH
WILL BE PRESENTED TO STATE DEPARTMENT IN NEAR FUTURE.
QUESTION CATALOG WAS ELABORATED JOINTLY BY FRG AND U.K.
AND WILL BE PRESENTED FOLLOWING COORDINATION OF GERMAN
AND BRITISH EMBASSIES IN WASHINGTON. END SUMMARY

BEGIN TEXT

1. WHAT IS THE BASIS ON WHICH THE NUMBERS AND COM-
PONENTS IN OPTION III OF THE APRIL 30 U.S. PAPER
WERE CALCULATED?

2. DO THOSE NUMBERS AND COMPONENTS NOW RELATE TO THE
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WHOLE ALLIED FRAMEWORK OR TO (MBFR) PHASE I THEREOF

ONLY?

3. WHAT ARE THE UPPER QUANTITATIVE LIMITS OF THE CONCESSIONS WE CAN MAKE WHILE PRESERVING OPERATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS AND THE DETERRENT VALUE OF THE ALLIES' TACTICAL NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN CENTRAL EUROPE?

4. SO FAR, THE ALLIES HAVE DETERMINED THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO REDUCTIONS IN AIRCRAFT. HOW COULD WE MAINTAIN THIS GENERAL POSITION WHILE OFFERING TO WITHDRAW SOME DUAL CAPABLE AIRCRAFT AS PART OF OUR NUCLEAR PROPOSALS?

5. HOW WOULD WE INTRODUCE THE NUCLEAR ELEMENT INCLUDING DUAL CAPABLE AIRCRAFT INTO THE NEGOTIATIONS, HAVING REGARD ALSO TO THE SOVIET PROPOSALS?

6. WHAT WOULD WE REQUIRE FROM THE RUSSIANS BY WAY OF QUID PRO QUO?

7. HOW WOULD WE HANDLE THE PROBLEM OF QUALITATIVE IMPROVEMENTS?

8. WOULD WE PROPOSE SPECIAL VERIFICATION ARRANGEMENTS TO COVER THE NUCLEAR ELEMENTS OF ANY AGREEMENTS?

9. WHAT WOULD BE THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE INTRODUCTION OF A NUCLEAR ELEMENT IN MBFR FOR DISCUSSION OF NON-CENTRAL SYSTEMS IN SALT AND VICE VERSA?

10. HOW SHOULD THE NUCLEAR ASPECTS OF MBFR BE DISCUSSED IN THE ALLIANCE AS A WHOLE?

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